

28th February 1928]

Mr. S. ARPUDASWAMI UDAYAR :—“ With reference to the answer to (a) to (g), may I ask the hon. the Law Member to state whether he cannot make an exception with regard to (d), considering the importance of the matter ? ”

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“ I greatly regret my inability to place information before the hon. Member.”

• *Representation of Adi-Dravidas in the Police department.*

\* 1628 Q.—Mr. V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) the percentage of Adi-Dravida community in the Police department in the ranks of Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors in the Madras City and the mufassal ;

(b) how many applications for the post of Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors were received by the Inspector-General of Police and how many of them were from Adi-Dravidas, as a result of the advertisement in the Madras newspapers on 5th September 1927 calling for applications for Inspector's and Sub-Inspector's posts ; and

(c) whether the Government propose to ask the Inspector-General of Police to give encouragement to the members of the Adi-Dravida and other depressed classes by selecting as many Adi-Dravidas as are qualified and are eligible for selection ?

A.—(a) On 1st April 1927 there was one permanent Sub-Inspector of Police belonging to the “ depressed class ” in the Presidency ; no Inspectors were of this class.

(b) The Government have no information ; they have called for it.

(c) The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to clause (b) of question No. 1556.

Mr. V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI :—“ May I know, with reference to (b), when the information will be ready ? ”

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“ As soon as it is sent by the Inspector-General of Police, Sir.”

*Indian officers and training at Scotland Yard.*

\* 1629 Q.—Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Indian officers of the Police department have so far been sent to the Scotland Yard for training in criminal investigation ;

(b) if not, why not ;

(c) whether the Government do not think it necessary to give expert training at a place like the Scotland Yard for the officers of the Criminal Investigation Department ; and

(d) if so, what steps they contemplate to take in the matter ?

A.—(a) No

(b) The courses of instruction at Scotland Yard are confined to officers of the substantive rank of the District Superintendent of Police and above, who are on leave in Europe. No permanent Indian District Superintendent of Police has been on leave in Europe since the scheme was introduced.